

TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
1067 WEST MAIN STREET, CENTRAL, SC 29630
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2018 7:10 PM

Present: Mayor Mac Martin; Council Members Paige Bowers, Joe Moss, Ken Dill, and Harry Holladay; Administrator Phillip Mishoe; Finance Director Josh Addis; Deputy Town Clerk Mendy Fuller; Auditor Jason White; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Kevin Schmidt, Daniel Evatt, Brandi Simmons, Courtney Bailey, Police Chief Khristy Justice and Town Clerk Susan A. Brewer.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mac Martin.

Joe Moss rendered the invocation.

Recreation Volunteer of the Year

Chair moves to recognize Mandy Duty as the Volunteer of the Year; seconded by Ken dill. The vote was unanimous. Mayor and Council presented her with the award and thanked her for her service.

Chair moved to add an item to the agenda which was a letter from Chief Khristy Justice; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Chair read part of the letter stating that Khristy Justice submitted a letter of resignation effective 12/24/2018. Chair made the motion to accept her letter of resignation; seconded by Harry Holladay. The vote carried with 4 in favor and Joe Moss opposed.

Reading of Regular Council Meeting Minutes 10.08.18

Chair made a motion to adopt regular council meeting minutes 10.08.18; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Reading of Special Called Council Meeting Minutes 11.05.18 (1)

Chair made a motion to adopt special called meeting minutes 11.05.18 (1); seconded by Ken Dill. The vote was unanimous.

Reading of Special Called Council Meeting Minutes 11.05.18 (2)

Chair made a motion to adopt special called meeting minutes 11.05.18 (2); seconded by Harry Holladay. The vote was unanimous.

Reading of Special Called Meeting Minutes 11.09.18

Chair made a motion to adopt regular council meeting minutes 11.09.18; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Public Session

Franklin Reynolds approached council with a complaint of a social media post. Phillip Mishoe distributed the information to council. Franklin Reynolds said that a picture speaks a thousand words. He said that what they (council) has in front of them is one of the most offensive, disgusting, and unprofessional social media posted by none other than one of our employees. He said this is nothing short of pornography and should be treated as such. He said that the citizens will not tolerate such behavior from our public officials. Franklin Reynolds said a few months ago the Administrator and Fire Chief had developed a new standard to monitor social media for fire department members. Franklin Reynolds said that while his post was under a microscope he apparently forgot about or ignore those of other members especially the ones that were close to him. Franklin Reynolds said he was recently terminated from the Central Fire Department after 25 years partly because some of his social media post supposedly violated the policy according to Chief Reynolds. Franklin Reynolds read some of his post that was supposed to be against policy. "Central Rural Board Fire meeting tonight at station 2 at 6:30pm if anyone is interested in attending. Station 2 is located across from Daniel High School. Feel free to attend and find out what is going on and voice your opinions or concerns and hold our leaders accountable. That's what it is all about." He said the second one was not naming a name using John Doe instead. "John Doe do you live in Rural Fire District?" These posts were supposedly violated policy.

Franklin Reynolds said that when an agency decides to take these steps, they better do it fairly and across the board, don't single out individuals in which his opinion, it happened in this case. He said this was the perfect example of double standard "do as I say not as I do" administration that he has witnessed for some time now. Franklin Reynolds said that he would hope they (council) would hold the fire chief and his employees to the same standards that he holds others to and make sure this was handled properly and accordingly.

In closing Franklin Reynolds read **SECTION 8-13-750(B):**

(B) A public official, public member, or public employee may not participate in an action relating to the discipline of the public official's, public member's, or public employee's family member. Franklin Reynolds said that this law has already been broken along with section (a) of the same law in his opinion. He said hopefully you (council) will not allow this to happen again. He thanked Council.

Receipt and Disposition of Petitions

Phillip Mishoe said we had one for Cathy Putnam's property.

Reports from Council Committees:

All committee reports are on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for review upon request.

A. Planning – Paige Bowers

Paige Bowers said that she wanted to thank Brandy Simmons and the Community Engagement Group for the movie night. Paige Bowers said there was positive feedback and citizens hoped to see more events in the future.

B. Streets and Public Safety – Joe Moss

Joe Moss thanked the Police Department as well as everyone else that assisted with the parade.

C. Finance and Marketing – Lynne Chapman

Phillip Mishoe said that we are where we should be at this time of year.

D. Recreation – Ken Dill

Ken Dill reported that the 12 and Under Tigers football team finished 7-1 and were the Tri-County Football Championship Runner-Up.

Ken Dill reported the youth basketball league has the most teams ever with 51 teams. He said he wanted to thank the ones managing the growth.

Ken Dill reported the Senior programs at Central Community Center were going well.

E. Enterprise- Harry Holladay

Harry Holladay reported that disconnects were up this past month and the Combined Service Department had completed 96 work orders.

F. Tourism and Economic Development – Brandon Thomas

Request for \$1500 from Hospitality Funds for Christmas Movie Night
Chair made the motion to fund \$1500 from Hospitality for the Christmas movie night for the Community Engagement Committee; seconded by Joe Moss. Harry Holladay asked for a breakdown where the money goes. The vote was unanimous.

Request for \$3000 for Sponsorship of the Greater Clemson Music Festival

Chair moved to sponsor the Greater Clemson Music Festival; seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Introduction and consideration of New Ordinances, Policies, and Resolutions

Policy # 11-12-18 5.5 Towing Rotation Services

Chair made the motion to adopt Policy #11-12-18 5.5 Towing Rotation Services; Seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Policy # 11-12-18 DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING

Chair made the motion to adopt policy # 11-12-18 Drug & Alcohol Testing; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Policy #11-12-18 SOCIAL MEDIA

Chair made the motion to adopt Policy # 11-12-18 Social Media; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

First Reading of Ordinance #01-14-18 ANNEX PUTNAM

Chair made the motion to adopt first reading of Ordinance #01-14-18 Annex Putnam; seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Resolution # 12-10-2018 SET OFF DEBT

Paige Bowers made the motion to adopt Resolution #12-10-18 Set Off Debt; seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Rural Fire Contract

Paige Bowers made the motion to adopt the Rural Fire Contract; seconded by Ken Dill. The vote was unanimous.

Consideration of Ordinances, Policies, and Resolutions already in possession of Council

Second Reading of Ordinance #11-05-18 TEGEN

Paige Bowers made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance # 11-05-18 TEGEN; seconded by Harry Holladay. The vote was unanimous.

Second Reading of Ordinance # 11-05-18 Zoning Amendment Section 804.3 (a)

Paige Bowers made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance #11-05-18 Zoning Amendment Section 804.3 (a); seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Reports from the Administrator and Mayor:

A. Administrator

- I. Phillip Mishoe reported that the bore on the sewer project was complete and it was an easy bore do so we should come in on the lower side of the bore. The rain has slowed the project down but they are making progress.
- II. Phillip Mishoe said the parade was a great success and thanked the fire department and all the volunteers for their work. He said the movie night went well also.

B. Mayor Report

- I. Mayor Martin said he had received a letter from Wayne George with the Municipal Association congratulating the town on the award of the Façade Grant.

Executive Session

Chair moved to go into Executive Session to discuss legal Section 30-4-70 (a) (1) Section 30-4-70 (a)(2); seconded Ken Dill. The vote was unanimous.

Return from Executive Session

Council returned from executive session where no decisions were made only information was shared.

Action Items

- A. Chair made the motion to authorize the Administrator to pursue arrangements to assess and supply the needs of the police department; seconded by Ken Dill. The vote was unanimous.

With no objections, Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Brewer, CMC
Town Clerk

Approved: 01/14/2019